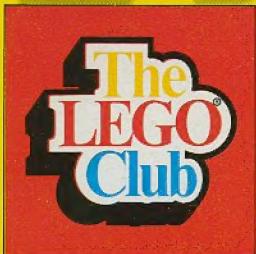


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President's Letter



Dear Members,

Over the years there have been a number of competitions in which the prize was a visit to the marvellous LEGOLAND Park in Denmark. But the prize for the competition we are running this Easter really caps the lot—a flight to LEGOLAND in Concorde by courtesy of British Airways!

For many that would be two dreams come true at once. A visit to the world's most exciting place (for a keen LEGO collector, at least) And get there in the world's most exciting plane.

That really should be a day to remember for the 75 lucky winners. Imagine being able to tell your friends at school all about it!

There will be entry forms for the competition in the shops from the end of March and entry is free, so make sure you get one.

This competition is to draw attention to the new Airport sets which will join the LEGOLAND Town range at Easter also.

Our new planes may not be quite as exciting as the real life Concorde, but we think they are terrific and we hope you'll agree that they'll add extra fun to your collection.

Happy landings and good luck.

Clive Nicholls
Club President

LEGOLAND® Park Traffic School



The traffic school in the LEGOLAND Park is a very busy place with over 70,000 children of all nationalities getting their driving licences every year. The school has several specially trained instructors and 32 cars. Every year each car travels enough miles to have gone three times round the world.

Children learn to drive in small battery driven electric cars with an accelerator, brakes and signal lights. They experience driving in a real life situation with one way streets, stop signs, railway crossings and, of course, police cars to ensure that they follow the highway code. The driving instructors tell me that British children get used to driving on the right hand side of the road very quickly.

As each group of children join the traffic school the driving instructor explains the road signs and markings and gives each child a flag made from LEGO bricks to put on their car to show which language they speak. Then the cars are allocated and it's all onto the road for some real driving.

Up in the control tower the driving instructor keeps a close watch on the traffic and is in constant touch with his pupils over the loud speaker system. Any drivers who do not obey his instructions or drive dangerously can have their cars stopped by radio control.

After 20 minutes of satisfactory driving a driver's licence is issued, and when a photograph of the driver has been attached, the traffic school gives it the official stamp.

SUE LISTER





Denmark—the children's holiday kingdom.

*Send for
FREE FUN
BOOK*

The fact that in the kingdom of Denmark children are very, very important people is hardly surprising when you think that the greatest of all childrens story tellers, Hans Christian Andersen, was born here.

For example in what other countries could you find a land where people are bigger than houses—amazing Legoland in the middle of Denmark, or where a mermaid is the most famous person, or where you can visit real Viking ships, and Europe's most famous pleasure park—Tivoli Gardens.

Send in to the address below for our Free Fun Book and you'll find out lots more about Denmark. It includes lots of games and free tickets which will get you a free gift or into most of the places you'll be wanting to see. You'll also be able to go in for a competition which could win you a holiday in Denmark.

The Danish Tourist Board
169-173 Regent Street, London W1.

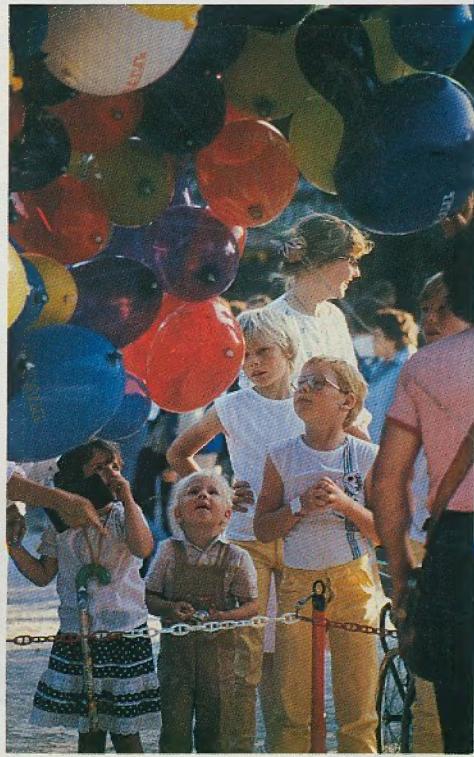
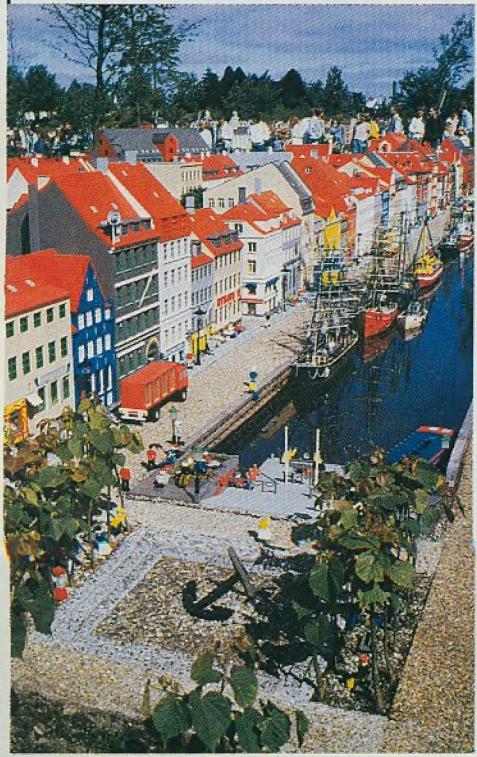


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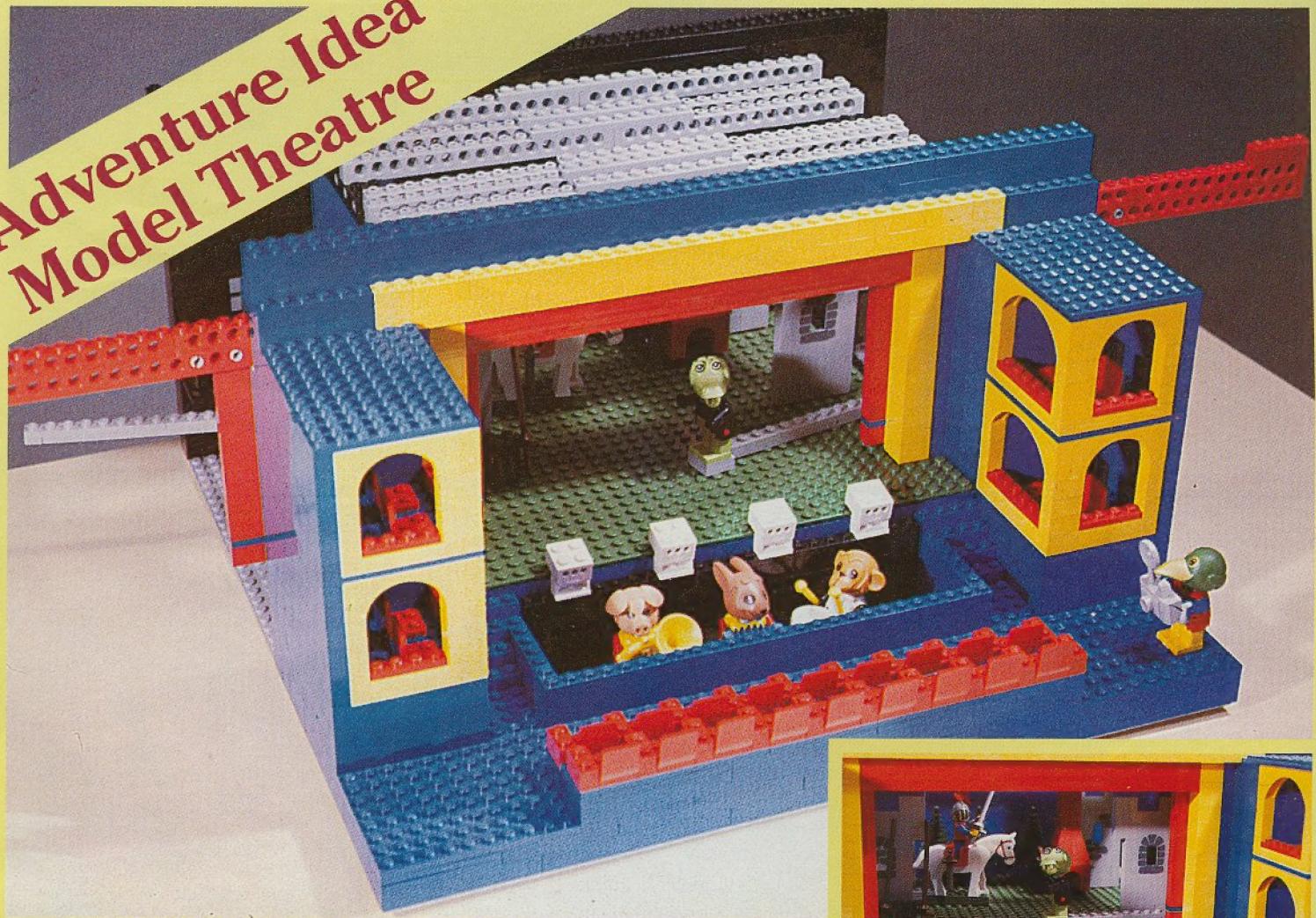
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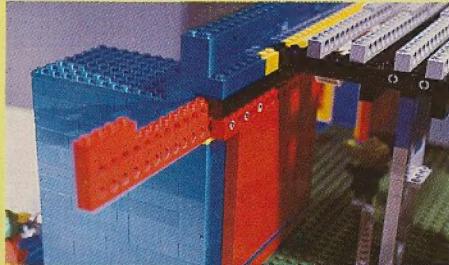
—you'll love it!



Adventure Idea Model Theatre



by John Duffield (LEGO Model Designer)



Hello Chums. Did you have a good winter?

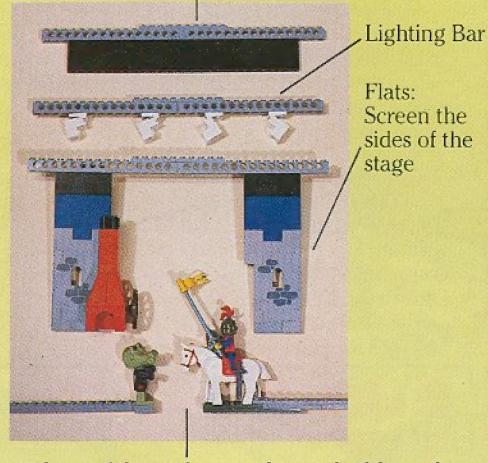
I filled up the cold evenings designing scenery for a Pantomime and an exciting detective play for our local theatre: Great fun!

How about having a go yourselves. First you will need a theatre so here are some ideas—if you don't fancy a theatre you could make it look like a television.

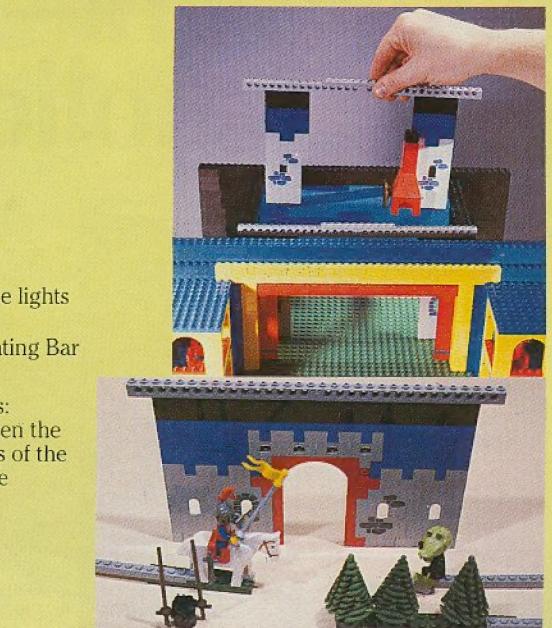
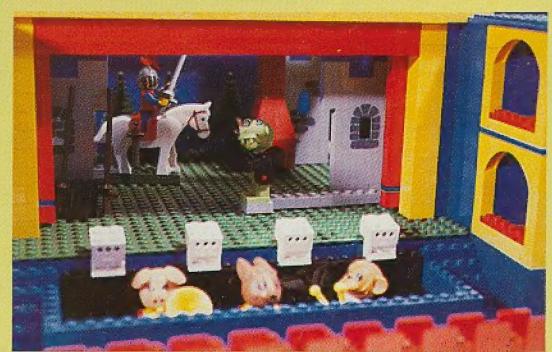
Once you've built the theatre that's when the adventure really starts—think up your own plays and Pantos: Design and build your own scenery.

P.S.—I always like to hear from Club members who have tried my ideas.

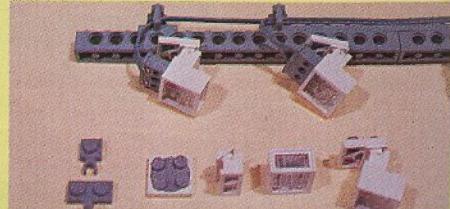
Border: A black curtain that hides the lights



Actors: on long sticks so they can be worked from the side. Clever clogs could try putting a magnet under each figure to operate them from under the stage using a train coupling at the end of the Technic beam, it works like magic!



If you are feeling clever and you have some lighting bricks try getting the lights to work—here's how I built mine.



(You can get magnets in our spares packs)

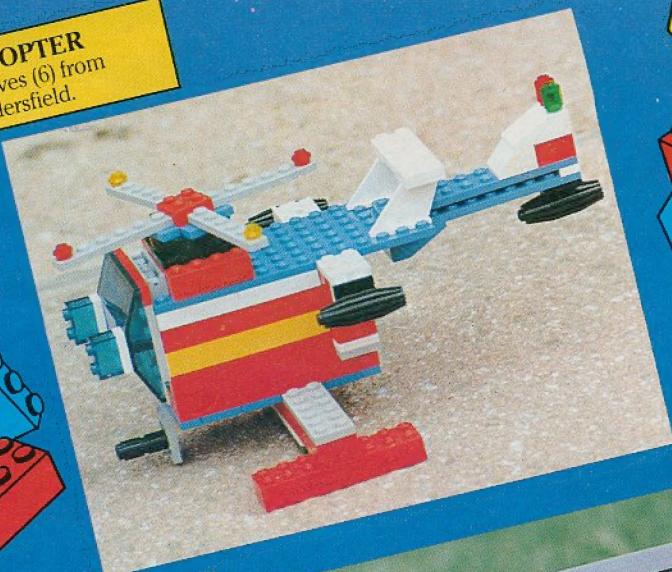
Captain Indigo



MEANWHILE CAPTAIN INDIGO HAS MATERIALISED IN THE MIDDLE OF SIR RICHARD'S JOUSTING TOURNAMENT.



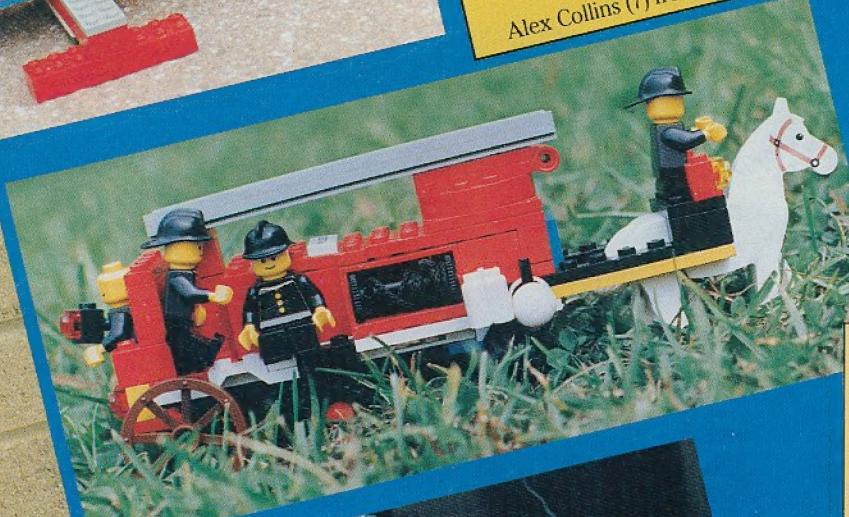
HELICOPTER
Alex Reeves (6) from Huddersfield.



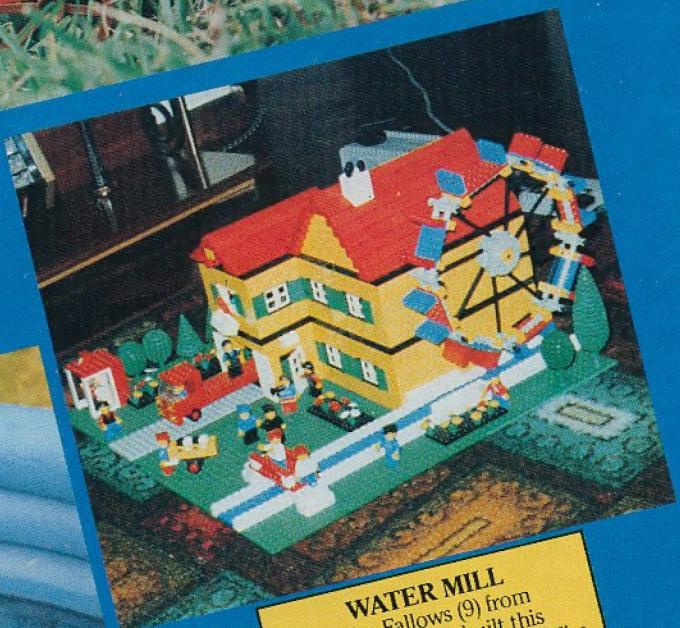
KARATE DISPLAY
Jay Read (14) from Wheatley who is a green belt in Karate took two evenings to perfect this model.



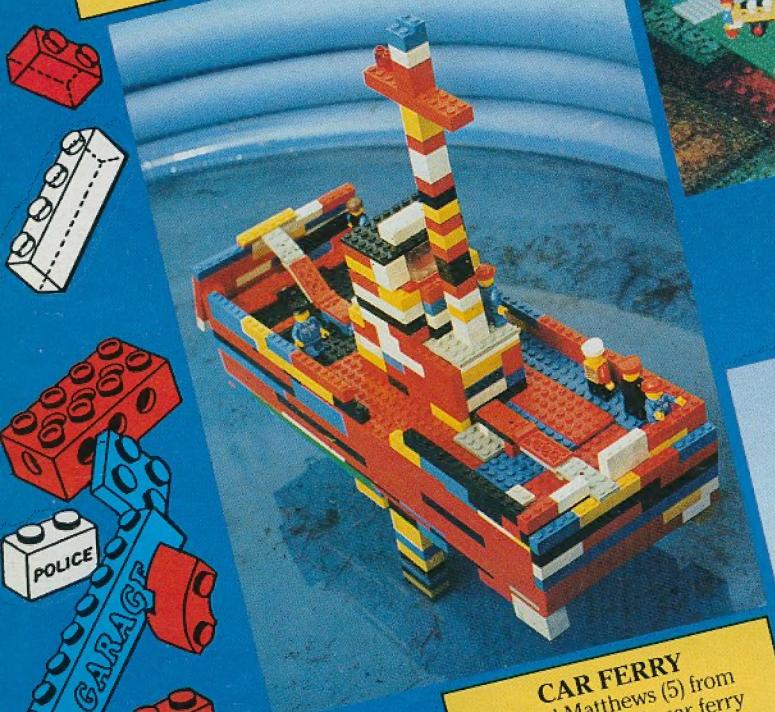
HORSE DRAWN FIRE ENGINE
Alex Collins (7) from Wells.



GRENADIER GUARD
John Hutton (10) from Kendal built this model after seeing the changing of the guard in London.



WATER MILL
John Fallows (9) from Newtowndale built this working model water mill. The model is powered by his LEGO railway transformer.



CAR FERRY
Daniel Matthews (5) from London built this car ferry which opens at both ends so that the cars can drive on and drive off.

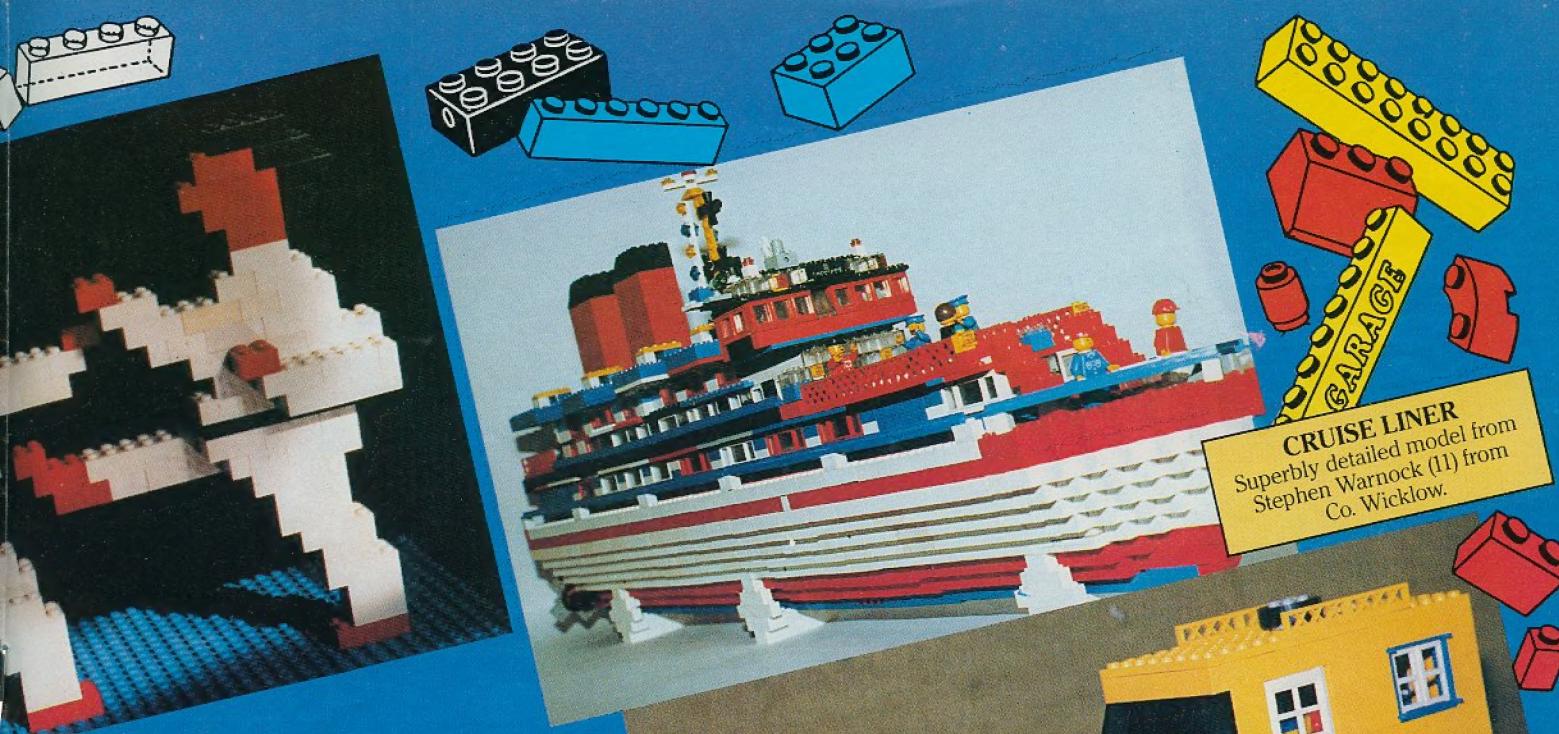


TRIALS BIKE
Tim Cheshire (11) from Ware built this model for a LEGO competition at his School.

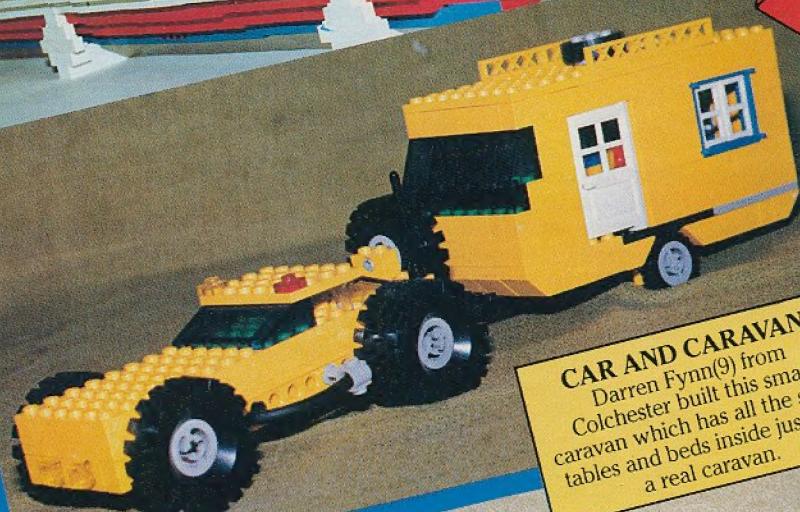


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SPRING**

A "Golden" Master Builder whose models are shown here. If you have a model, send it in telling us why you think it could become a Master Builder. See page 10 for details.



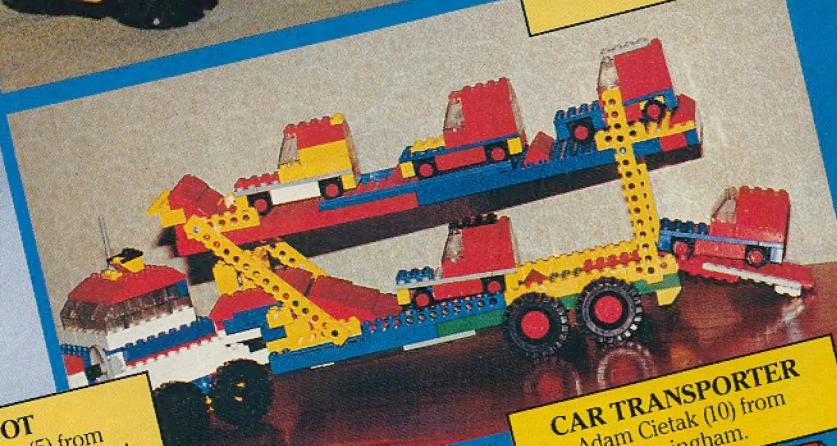
CRUISE LINER
Superbly detailed model from Stephen Warnock (11) from Co. Wicklow.



CAR AND CARAVAN
Darren Flynn(9) from Colchester built this smart caravan which has all the seats, tables and beds inside just like a real caravan.



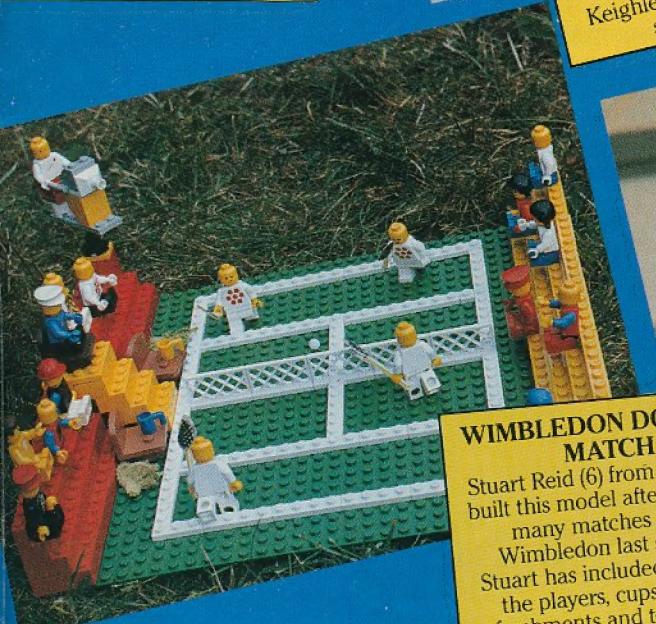
ROBOT
David Rabbett (5) from Keighley built this robot with swivelling arms.



CAR TRANSPORTER
Adam Cietak (10) from Birmingham.

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goes to each of the members who have a photograph of a special model and how you built it, and you too if your model is shown in the next issue's Pieces.



WIMBLEDON DOUBLES MATCH

Stuart Reid (6) from Caterham built this model after watching many matches during Wimbledon last summer. Stuart has included chairs for the players, cups for their refreshments and towels to dry themselves.



CATAMARAN RACING
Alex and Daniel Baron live in Oman where they spend a lot of time on the beach. Alex and Daniel enjoy windsurfing and watching the catamaran races.

LEGOLAND® CASTLE AND SPACE

With 9 new LEGOLAND® Space sets and 3 new LEGOLAND® Castle sets in the shops now there is plenty to interest Space and Castle fans.

There are many new elements used in the new Space sets and most of these can be found in the new big Saturn Ranger which can turn into an amphibian vehicle, or two spacecraft and a space centre. And of course it includes astronauts and a new Android. The new Android figures are featured in a number of the new Space sets including the Xenon X Craft (offered to members in the Christmas 1984 edition of Bricks'n Pieces) and also the super new Intergalactic Freighter "Dark Star". The new Xenon 2 Walking Machine with its moveable legs and grab offers a weird addition to any space collection. Smaller models include a nifty Xenon 4 Thruster, a Surface Hopper, a Lunar Mobile, and a little Space Patrol craft complete with astronaut. Prices range from around £1.25 for the Surface Hopper and Space Patrol, to around £7.10 for the Intergalactic Freighter "Dark Star", and around £19.30 for the big Saturn Ranger.



For LEGOLAND® Castle enthusiasts a set of 6 Men at arms (3 with the Black Knight's coat of arms and 3 with Sir Richard's) will be very useful at around £2.85. The Prisoner Convoy set includes 5 horses, 3 men at arms, and a "prisoner"—could this be the Black Knight in disguise? Price around £7.10. Complete with treasure chest, treasure and sentry, the Black Knight's Treasure set at around £1.80 completes the additions to the range.

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Club member James Mitchell wrote to tell us about his recent trip to LEGOLAND Park.

"I first saw the ship when we arrived at Harwich, it was very big, the ship had a cinema and some shops. The cabins were small but

comfortable, and when I woke up in the morning it was my 8th birthday. When I got off the ship our coach was waiting to take us to the hotel and everyone sang Happy Birthday. At dinner the hotel chef had made 4 cakes like ships with fireworks on them. The next day we went to the LEGOLAND Park, it was fabulous and we got some super snaps and a LEGO driving licence. The next morning we went on a lake boat trip, also we went to the old world village and the Tollund man. On the last day we went shopping before boarding the ship home. The courier and the driver were very nice. We like Denmark very much. We like it so much we are going next year to LEGOLAND and Copenhagen."

Club tours to LEGOLAND® Park

For the last four years Specialised Tours have been operating very enjoyable coach tours to the LEGOLAND Park for our Club Members. This year's programme offers a wider choice than ever before. There are 4, 5 and 6 day tours, at prices from £105 for adults and £70 for children.

This year they are also offering two completely different ways of getting to LEGOLAND.

If you fancy a longer holiday in Denmark, their new 8–12 day motoring holidays could be ideal. Besides visiting the LEGOLAND Park you can enjoy lovely beaches, all the sights of Copenhagen and the freedom of travelling in your own car. There is a choice of hotel or self-catering accommodation, and departures are possible from Harwich and Newcastle. Prices start at £165 for adults and £120 for children.

Alternatively, if you prefer to travel by air, Specialised Tours are now offering tours using the new direct air service from Southend to Billund. Billund Airport is right opposite the LEGOLAND Park itself, and Southend Airport is easily accessible by road or via the new terminal at Liverpool Street Station in London. A 4 day tour, with three nights half-board and unlimited free entrance to the LEGOLAND Park, is available throughout the summer at £152 for adults and from £107 for children. Longer holidays by air are also available.

For details of all these tours please contact Mrs. Margaret Scowen on Copthorne (0342) 712785, or write to:

Specialised Tours ·

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As a LEGO Club member you are assured of a special welcome at every one of the following locations where you will get a special reduced admission rate. The LEGO Club have negotiated special reduced prices for LEGO Club members which they will be able to claim upon production of their new membership card.

In every issue we will keep you up to date with new places to go and new offers at existing places.

REMEMBER

Remember—always take your card with you and if you are travelling a long way check the opening times before you set off.

ROMNEYRAIL – New Romney, Kent

The Romney Hythe & Dymchurch Railway has 13½ miles of narrow gauge track, 6 stations, 2 signal boxes and 12 locomotives. With up to 24 trains a day there's plenty to see and do. Club members can travel free when accompanied by a full fare paying adult for the return journey of the full length of the railway. The railway runs from March until November. Ring (0679) 62353 for full details of operating times.

MODEL VILLAGE – Babbacombe, Torquay, Devon

A remarkable model of the English countryside complete with a typical village, modern town, farms and railways. The village is open every day from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. with illuminations after dusk from Easter to October, and from 9 a.m. to dusk October to Easter. Club members will get a 10p reduction on the entrance price of 80p upon production of their Club membership card.
Tel: 0803 38669.

**AMBERLEY CHALK MUSEUM—
Amberley, Arundel, Sussex**

Aberley Chalk Pits Museum is an open air museum set in 36 acres of former chalk quarry and limeworks, offering many historic attractions. The Museum is open from April 1st to the end of October, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday to Sunday inclusive. LEGO Club members are able to go in free of charge if accompanied by two adults paying full admission price. Tel. (079 881) 370.

VALE OF RHEIDOL RAILWAY – Aberystwyth, Dyfed

This railway is the only way of viewing the spectacular Rheidol Valley up to the Devils Bridge, a highly rated tourist attraction. The line which covers 11½ miles has operated a passenger service since 1902, has 3 locomotives and 16 passenger coaches with some first class. Club members (aged 5–12 years) can travel at half the adult fare when accompanied by two full fare paying adults (under 5 free). Membership cards must be produced at the booking office.

**BURY TRANSPORT MUSEUM –
Castleton Road, Bury**

The museum houses both rail and road exhibits which include locomotives, rolling stock, buses, a steam roller and a fire engine. Club members will be allowed free admission when accompanied by a paying adult. The museum is open Saturdays and Sundays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tel. 061-764 7790.

**ISLE OF WIGHT STEAM RAILWAY—
Havenstreet, Isle of Wight**

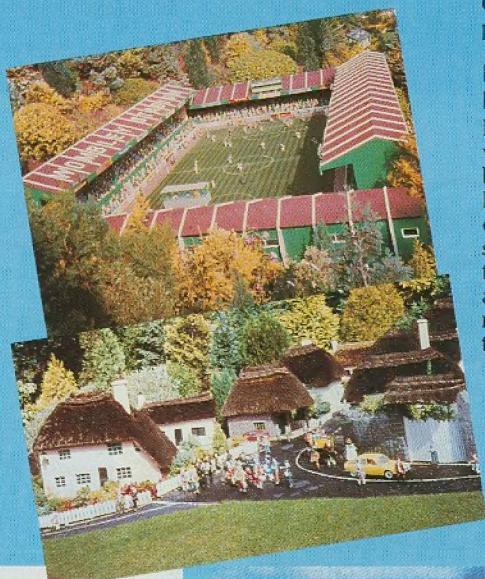
Club members can step back 50 years and travel on steam trains, just like their grandparents would have done, when they visit the Isle of Wight Steam Railway. The railway runs a 3 mile round trip in traditional wooden railway carriages pulled by steam engines which may be over 100 years old. Club members can travel free of charge when accompanied by two or more paying adults. The railway operates on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays at Easter then from May to September. There are also trains running on Thursdays in July and August when the station is open daily.

DOUNE MOTOR MUSEUM—Doune,
Perthshire

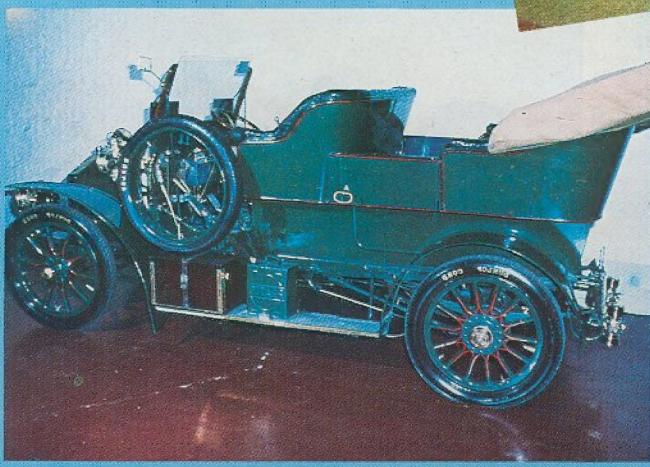
A unique collection of vintage and post-vintage thoroughbred cars including Jaguar, Aston Martin, Lagonda and the second oldest Rolls Royce in the world. The museum is open from April 1st until 31st October from 10 a.m. Club members can get in at half the normal price. Tel. 0786 841 203.

BALA LAKE RAILWAY— Bala, Gwynedd

Bala Lake Railway is a narrow gauge railway which runs alongside Bala Lake in the track bed of the former standard gauge line from Ruabon to Barmouth. The line offers excellent views of the lake and the surrounding countryside. Club members can travel on the railway at half fare when accompanied by a passenger paying the normal fare. The railway operates from April to September. Tel. (06784) 666.



Model Village, Babbacombe, Torquay



Doune Motor Museum



Bala Lake Railway

CLUB SHOP

1910
TSHIRT AGE 6 Chest 56cm Length
45cm £3.00

1911
TSHIRT AGE 8 Chest 60cm Length
48cm £3.00

1912
TSHIRT AGE 10 Chest 64cm Length
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1902
TECHNIC RALLY CAP 85p.



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10p.

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LEGO CLUB SPACE PATCH 30p.
1920
NEW CLUB BADGE 30p.

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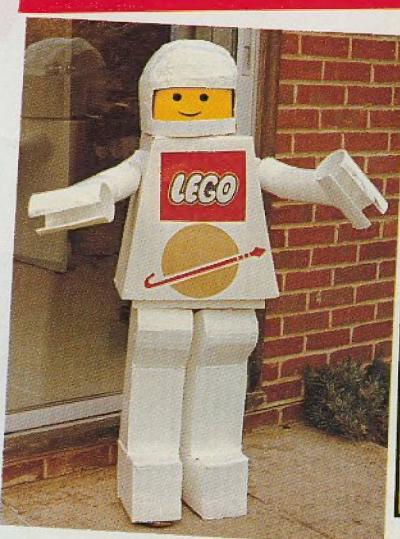


The Fire Helicopter (1928) is one of the new sets launched with the LEGOLAND Airport in April. Club members can buy the set NOW through the Club shop at a special price.

Price £2.15 (plus post & packing).



LEGO MEN TAKE 1st PRIZE
Dressing up as LEGOLAND figures seems to have been a very popular and successful idea for LEGO Club members. Here are Celia Blacklock (with flowers) and Nicholas Todd (Spaceman) who both won first prize in their respective fancy dress competitions.



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WREXHAM, CLWYD
LL13 7TQ

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1928		£2.15	
Plus postage and packing			35p
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JOKES

Q. What is a Submarine?
A. A Tin of People.

David Coates

Q. What do you get if you cross a Sheep with a Kangaroo?
A. A Woolly Jumper.

Elizabeth Bedtie

Q. What races along the bottom of the ocean at 100 mph?
A. A Motor-Pike.

Tony Wooldridge

Q. Why don't cats shave?
A. Because 8 out of 10 prefer whiskers.

John Gauld

Q. Why did the one handed woman cross the road?
A. To get to the second hand shop.

Matthew Cooksley

Q. What do you call a Footballer with a brush?
A. A Sweeper.
Q. What do sea monsters eat?
A. Fish and ships.

James Crawley

Q. What do you get if you cross a cat and a chemist?
A. Puss-in-Boots.

Martin & Alistair Maple

Keep sending in your Jokes.

AN AIRPORT FOR LEGOLAND® TOWN

In the shops for Easter you will find lots of new LEGOLAND® Town sets including a super LEGOLAND® Airport complete with control tower, restaurant, passport control, and luggage vans to transfer suitcases to the waiting jet airliner with its pilot and passengers. The Airport which comes with a selection of runway plates can be built in many different ways and will add a complete new scene to a LEGOLAND® Town. LEGOLAND® Airport is, of course, a very big LEGO® set and will cost around £30.

Following the Airport theme there are a number of interesting models at much lower prices. The new **Commuter Jet** comes complete with pilot and passenger, and has a special hinged roof section for passenger access. There are also two Helicopter sets—a big **Oil Rig Helicopter** with a hoist which winches a figure up and down, and a super little **Fire Helicopter** complete with pilot and twin airborne fire extinguishers featuring a new flexible ducting pipe.

Prices range from around £2.85 for the **Fire Helicopter** to around £7.10 for the **Commuter Jet**.

Down on the ground there is a smart new **Ambulance** to rush around LEGOLAND® Town complete with patient and wheeled stretcher. On the road works front there is a new **Cement Mixer Lorry**, an **Excavator**, and a little **Digger** complete with driver and workable shovel—just the job to clear away those loose bricks. And if your car breaks down there is a new **Breakdown Truck**, and a new **Garage** with sliding door and jack.

With all these people moving into LEGOLAND® Town, you will need somewhere for them all to live, so the new **House** with living room and kitchen which can be built in two different ways will be very useful. This desirable dwelling will be on the market for around £9.95.

Included in the House set and also with the new Post Office is a new form of transport for LEGOLAND® Town—the bicycle. The **Post Office** will cost around £3.55 including two figures and the bicycle which can of course be ridden by either of the figures.

All these new sets and a few more as well will be available in the shops from around the beginning of April and will make a handsome addition to LEGOLAND® Town.

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FLY CONCORDE TO LEGOLAND® PARK

There are 25 places to be won on Concorde for its first flight to Denmark. These 25 seats have been reserved for the winners of a national spot the difference competition to be held in April.

The lucky winners will be flown from London Heathrow to Billund airport by Concorde travelling at twice the speed of sound, spend the day in the LEGOLAND® Park, and then home again on Concorde. Entry forms will be available in toy shops from 23rd March and in the *Mail on Sunday* magazine over Easter.



Commuter Jet



Oil Rig Helicopter



Post Office